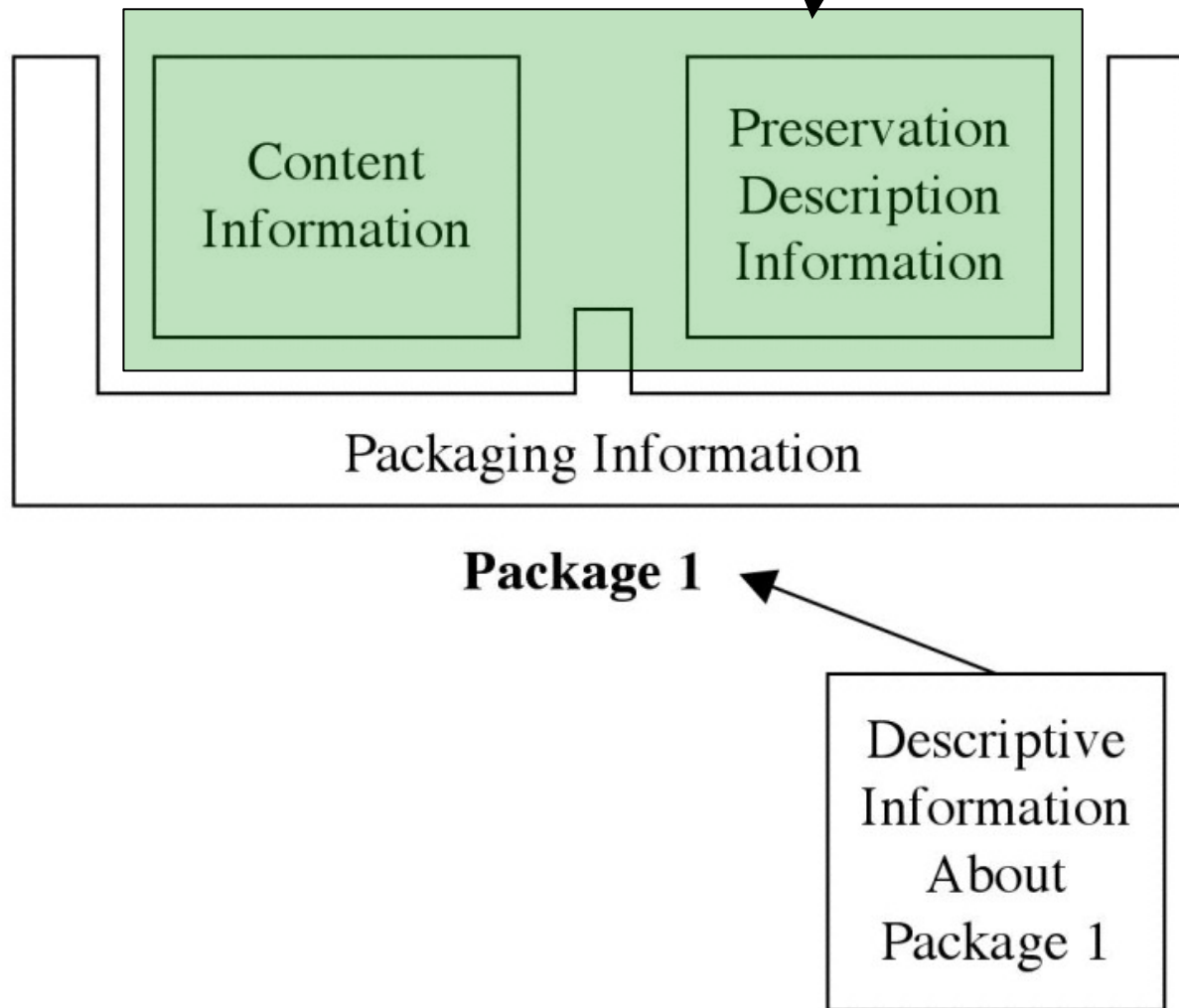




# MODIS Case Study: Is NASA Doing Anything Useful with Provenance?

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# Archive Information Package



<sup>1</sup> Reference Model for an Open Archival Information System (OAIS), CCSDS 650.0-B-1, Blue Book, January 2002.

## Content Information

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Information that describes the data object

- Typically interpreted as the syntax and semantics of the file structure

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Instrument/sensor calibration data and method

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Complete information on any ancillary data or other data sets used in generation or calibration of the data set or derived product

Processing history including versions of processing  
source code corresponding to versions of the data set  
or derived product held in the archive

Quality assessment information

Validation record, including identification of validation  
data sets

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agency, surrounding land use and other factors which  
could influence the long-term record

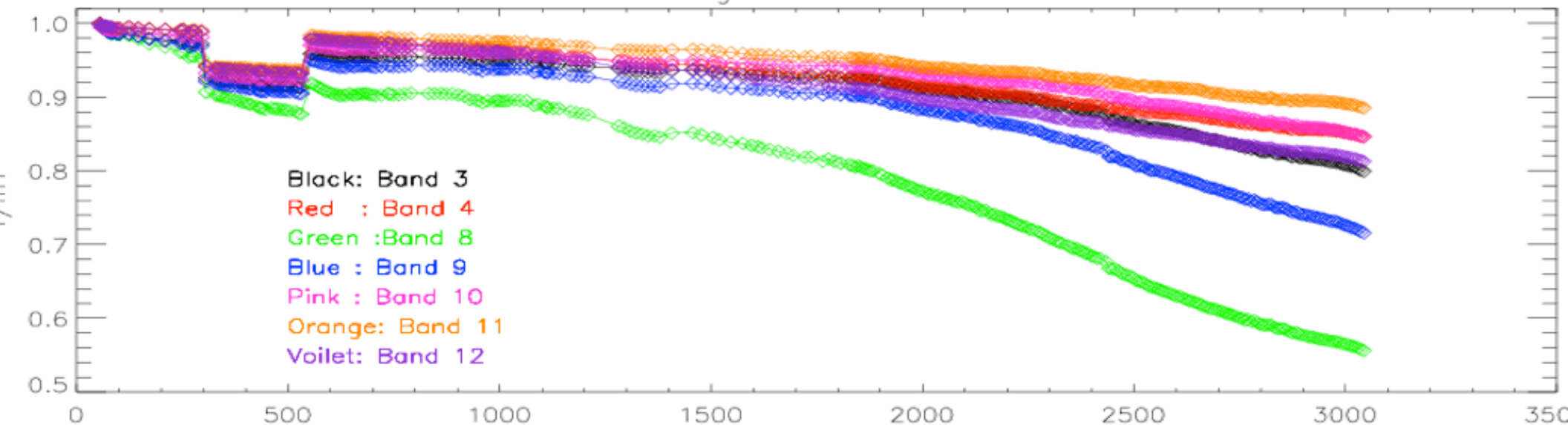
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including refereed publications reporting on research  
using the data set

Information received back from users of the data set or  
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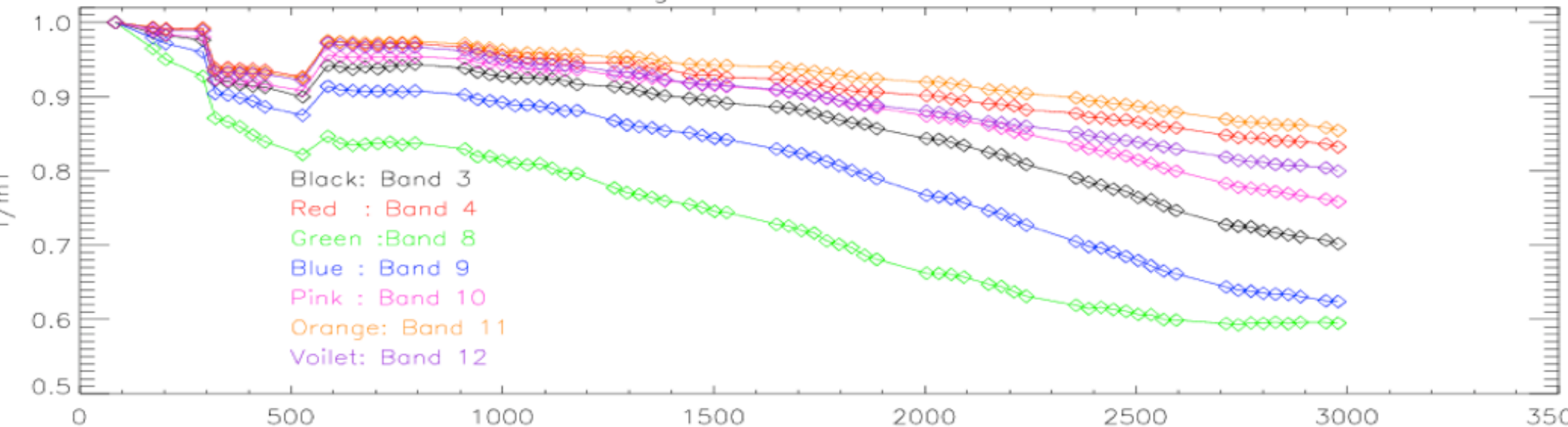


# Terra RSB Response Trending (Moon/SD)

Solar Diffuser DN Trending for Terra Mirror Side1 Visible Bands



Lunar DN Trending for Terra Mirror Side1 Visible Bands

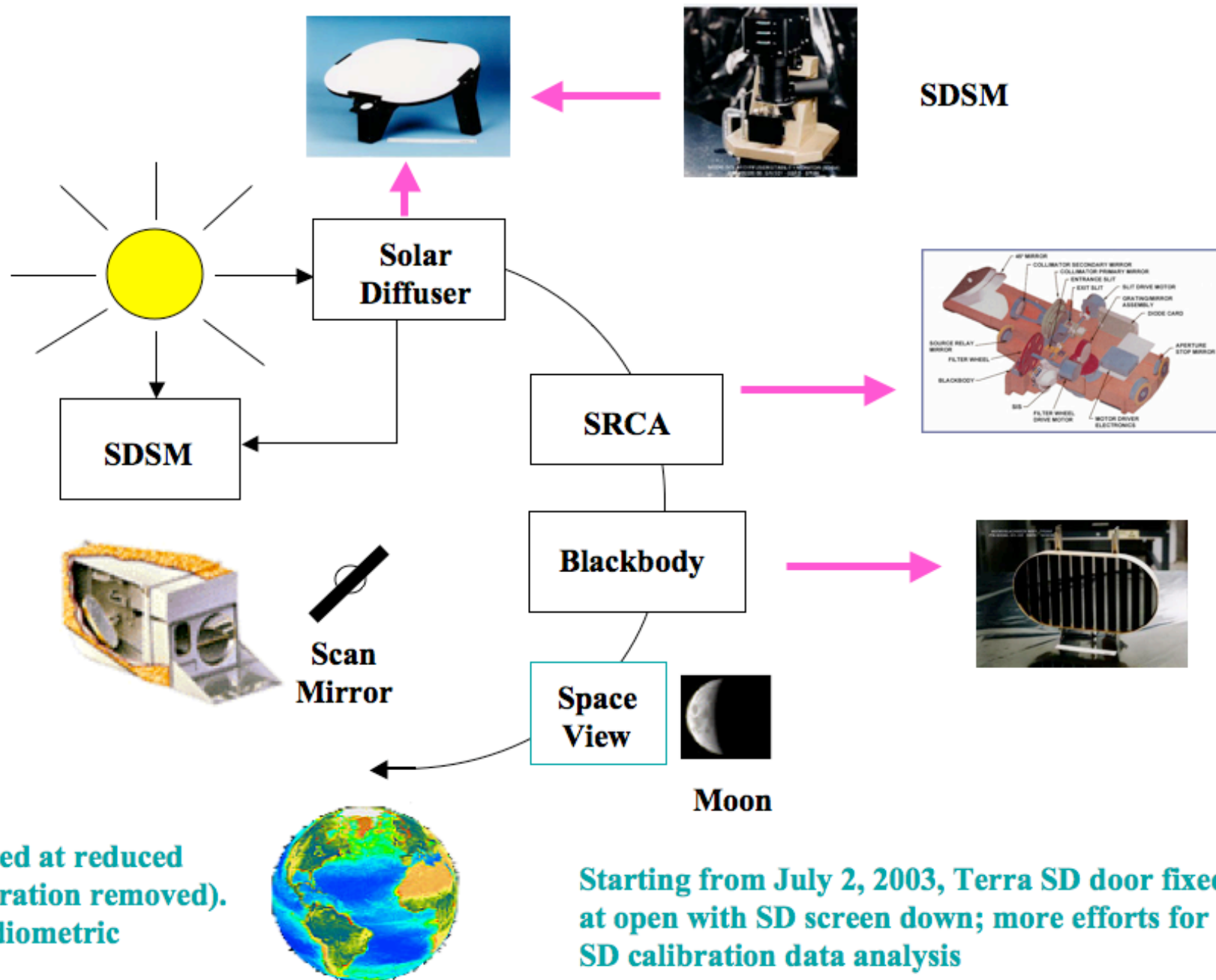


SD and Lunar responses (trending) are used to track MODIS scan mirror reflection versus scan angle (RVS)



# MODIS Calibration Activities

**BB** (quarterly)  
**SD/SDSM** (weekly first year to bi-weekly)  
**SRCA** (monthly radiometric, bi-monthly spatial, quarterly spectral)  
 Maneuvers (roll: monthly **Moon**; yaw: 2 for Terra and 1 for Aqua; pitch: 2 for Terra)



**SRCA is currently operated at reduced frequencies (30W configuration removed). This has no impact on radiometric calibration.**





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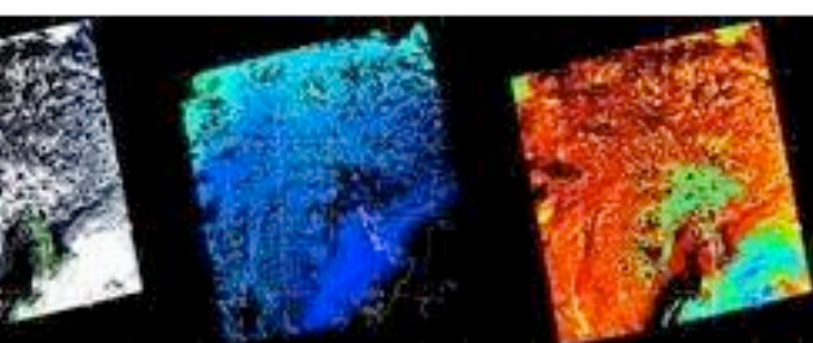
Algorithm Theoretical Basis Documents (ATBD's) are being developed for every EOS (Earth Observing System) instrument product including MODIS. With ATBD's, both physical theory and the mathematical procedures and possible assumptions are being applied for the calculations that have to be made to convert the radiances received by the instruments to geophysical quantities. The geophysical quantities are then available to the scientific community for studies of the various characteristics of the Earth system.

*(Because ATBD numbers were organized sequentially and more than one product may be derived from one ATBD, ATBD numbering schemes do not necessarily correspond to product numbering schemes.)*

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S\_0ZF - One Degree Global Data Assimilation System Data from NOAA NCEP  
- NSIDC Near Real-Time Global Ice and Snow Extent  
NEEP - TOMS Column Ozone Earth Probe  
DAILY - Daily TOVS Ozone from NOAA NCEP  
ATTNR - PM1 2hour refined Spacecraft attitude data  
EPHND - PM1 24hour Spacecraft ephemeris/orbit data files to be read via SDP Toolkit, Binary Format  
ISST - Reynolds Weekly Sea Surface Temperature from NOAA NCEP  
ICE - NCEP Ice Concentration  
ST - NCEP TOVS & SBUV/2 Column Ozone GRIB Format Daily L3 Global 1Deg Lat/Lon

# MODAPS Operational PGE Versions

Updated Fri May 30 03:00:10 EDT 2008

Welcome to the MODAPS Operational PGE Versions web page. This page is intended for the limited number of MODIS supported and MODIS supplied with MODIS PGE source code by the [MODIS Science Data Support Team](#). Some PGEs are not yet available in source code form. Re added to this page when they are approved by the MODIS science team.

The version of each PGE listed below is the default PGE version in forward operations in the MODAPS data processing system as of the update information is normally updated daily. The version of a PGE used for Aqua and Terra processing may be different and both will be available, with static coefficient files, on the FTP site listed below if they have been released by the science team. Updates to this web page and to the FTP directly they can have different version information for some PGEs for several hours each day. Updates are scheduled for the dark of the night, so this business hours.

The PGEs listed below are separated by satellite/instrument and science discipline and are listed by the recipes used to process data in the MOD group of PGE versions that is, consistent with one another, tested as a unit, and run together in the MODAPS system. Each PGE is linked to the current history file lists all the changes from version to version. The history file may refer to PGE versions that have higher version numbers than those listed in testing. The "Notes" column will list changes in the PGE during the previous three months that affected either the production rules used to run the in the type of input data files, including ancillary data.

We hope this page is useful to you. If you have any suggestions or comments please contact the webmaster, [Karen Horrocks](#), or your group's contact

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Terra MODIS Level 1 PGE Versions

Recipe	Recipe Version	PGE	Notes	Installation Date	PGE Version	PGE Description
AM1M_0	3.3.80	<a href="#">PGE01</a>		2008-04-28	5.0.18	Level 1A Raw Radiances and Geolocation
		<a href="#">PGE71</a>		2006-12-11	5.0.1	Level 1A Oceans Sub-setting
AM1M_1	3.3.43	<a href="#">PGE02</a>		2007-03-30	5.0.6	Level 1B Calibration
		<a href="#">PGE92</a>		2006-08-18	5.0.0	L1a splitter process
		<a href="#">PGE93</a>		2006-08-18	5.0.1	L1b subsampler
AM1M_1c	3.3.14	<a href="#">PGE03</a>		2006-08-18	5.2.3	Level 2 Cloud Mask/Atmospheric Profiles

Terra MODIS Atmosphere PGE Versions

Recipe	Recipe Version	PGE	Notes	Installation Date	PGE Version	PGE Description
AM1M A1	3.3.56	<a href="#">PGE04</a>		2008-01-02	5.3.8	Level 2 Atmosphere
		<a href="#">PGE06</a>		2007-09-07	5.12.4	Level 2 Clouds

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# Product Quality Documentation for MOD10A1, C5

## Collection C5

ParameterName: All				
Time	EndDateTime	ScienceQualityFlag	ScienceQualityFlagExplanation	Comments
	2000 076 (03/16/00) 18:40:00	Inferred Passed	Overall snow is mapped with reasonable accuracy. However, errors in snow mapping from MOD10_L2 are passed into the MOD10A1 product. Discretion should be exercised in use of this product.	Snow mapping errors may occur on the perimeters of snow fields, cloud edges and water boundaries.
	2000 076 (03/16/00) 19:10:00	Suspect	Data scans may have been shifted due to shift in the geolocation resulting from the spacecraft maneuver during this period.	
	2000 076 (03/16/00) 20:15:00	Inferred Passed	Overall snow is mapped with reasonable accuracy. However, errors in snow mapping from MOD10_L2 are passed into the MOD10A1 product. Discretion should be exercised in use of this product.	Snow mapping errors may occur on the perimeters of snow fields, cloud edges and water boundaries.
	2000 076 (03/16/00) 20:50:00	Suspect	Data scans may have been shifted due to shift in the geolocation resulting from the spacecraft maneuver during this period.	



# atus for: Snow Cover/Sea Ice (MOD10/29)

## General Accuracy Statement

ation at stage 2 has been achieved for the snow-cover product (MOD10). The accuracy of the MODIS snow-cover product varies with vegetation type, but the overall accuracy has been assessed at 92% in various peer-reviewed publications.

ation at stage 2 has been accomplished for the MODIS 1-km resolution Sea Ice product (MOD29). Maps of ice extent and ice-surface temperature (IST) under clear skies have RMS errors of 1.2-1.3K during the "cold months," or when there is no surficial melt on the sea ice.

*Product status updated: September 2006*

*Product version: Collection 4*

## Supporting Studies:

Sea Ice Surface Temperature Product From MODIS

Author: Hall, D.K., J. R. Key, K. A. Casey, G. A. Riggs, D. J. Cavalieri

Journal: IEEE Transactions on Geoscience and Remote Sensing, Vol. 42, No. 5, May 2004

### [Summary Results From This Document](#)

Comparison of MODIS Daily Global Fractional Snow Cover Maps at 0.05 and 0.25 Degree Resolutions

Author: George A. Riggs, Nicolo Digirolamo, Dorothy K. Hall

Conference: 62nd EASTERN SNOW CONFERENCE Waterloo, ON, Canada 2005

### [Summary Results From This Document](#)

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156.609 W, 11 m asl (36 ft asl)

an Endres (Daniel.J.Endres@noaa.gov)

[www.esrl.noaa.gov/gmd/obop/brw](http://www.esrl.noaa.gov/gmd/obop/brw)

iation Measurement (ARM) site at the North Slope of Alaska

on: [United States Department of Energy](#)

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## Measurements

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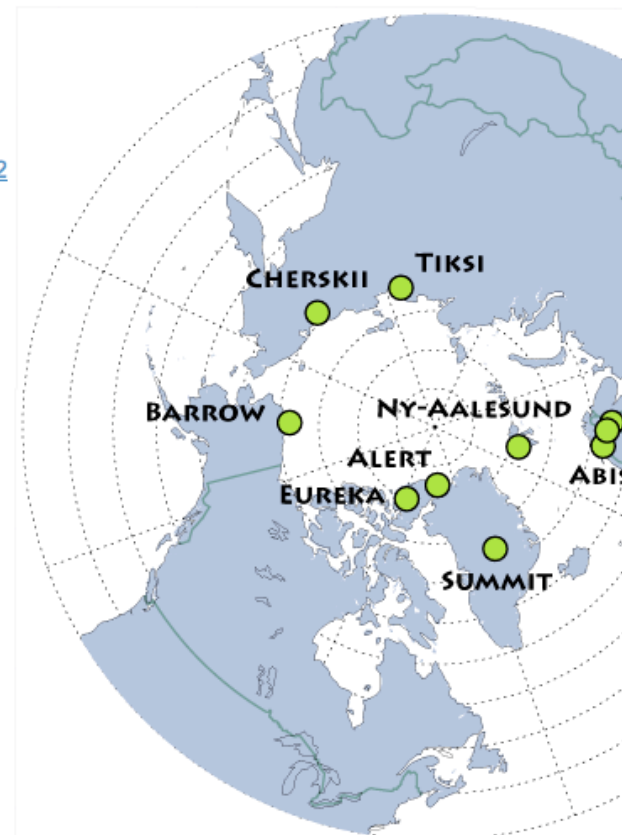
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## Research

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## Related Resources

[The MODIS Snow and Sea Ice Mapping Project: Publications](#)

NASA's related publications site for the MODIS snow and sea ice global project.

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Quality updates

Things that need further explanation

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